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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

[Docket No. MARAD 2013 0099]

Request for Comments of a Previously Approved Information Collection

AGENCY: Maritime Administration

ACTION: Notice and request for comments

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.), this notice announces that the Information Collection abstracted below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. The nature of the information collection is described as well as its expected burden. The Federal Register Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following collection of information was published on June 3, 2013. No comments were received.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before [insert date 30 days from date of publication].

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bill Kurfehs, Maritime Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE, Washington, DC 20590. Telephone: 202-366-2318 or E-MAIL: bill.kurfehs.@dot.gov. Copies of this collection also can be obtained from that office.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Maritime Administration (MARAD).

<u>Title</u>: Voluntary Tanker Agreement

OMB Control Number: 2133-0505

Type of Request: Extension of currently approved collection.

Affected Public: U.S.-flag and U.S. citizen-owned vessels that are required to respond under current statute and regulation.

Form (s): MA-1060

Abstract: This collection of information is used to gather information on tanker operators who agree to

contribute, either by direct charter to the Department of Defense or to other participants tanker capacity as

requested by the Maritime Administrator at such times and such amounts as determined to be necessary to

meet the essential needs of DOD for the transportation of petroleum and petroleum products in bulk by

sea. The Voluntary Tanker Agreement is a voluntary emergency preparedness agreement in accordance

with Section 708, Defense Production Act, 195, as amended (50 U.S.C. App. 2158).

<u>Annual Estimated Burden Hours</u>: 15 hours

Addresses: Send comments regarding these information collections to the Office of Information and

Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725 Seventeenth Street, NW, Washington, DC,

20503, Attention: MARAD Desk Officer. Alternatively, comments may be sent via e-mail to the Office

of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, at the following address:

oira.submissions@omb.eop.gov.

Comments Are Invited On: (a) whether the proposed collection of information is

necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the

information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of

the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the

information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information

on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of

information technology. A comment to OMB is best assured of having its full effect if OMB

receives it within 30 days of publication.

(Authority: 49 CFR 1.93)

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Secretary Maritime Administration

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